

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 727

By Rochelle

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Miss Valyn Whittemore,
2002 Salutatorian of Gordonsville High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Miss Valyn Whittemore is one such exceptional student who was recently named Salutatorian of the 2002 graduating class at Gordonsville High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Valyn Whittemore has achieved outstanding academic success, and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, Miss Whittemore has earned an exemplary grade point average; she is also actively involved in numerous extracurricular activities and clubs; and

WHEREAS, she is a member of the Spanish Club, the Math and Science Club, and the Prom Committee, and she has demonstrated great leadership skills as the Secretary of the Beta Club and as Vice-President of the Drama Club; and

WHEREAS, in addition to being selected for the superlative of "Most Dignified" in her Senior Class and being chosen as her Junior Class's Homecoming representative, Miss Whittemore also had the honor of attending the Upper Cumberland Electric Membership Cooperative's 2001 Washington Youth Tour, and was selected as an alternate for the Rotary Club Youth Leadership Conference; and

WHEREAS, a hard worker, Miss Whittemore was a member of her high school's office staff during both her Junior and Sophomore years; as a Sophomore she served as Manager of the Gordonsville Tigers' basketball team and was a member of the G-Club; she served as a sports journalist for the *Tiger Times* as a Freshman; and

WHEREAS, Valyn Whittemore has been featured in the *Who's Who Among American High School Students* for the past three years; her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for her future success; she plans to attend Middle Tennessee State University in the fall and pursue a career in Communications; and

WHEREAS, Valyn Whittemore's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for her parents, Gary and Danice Whittemore, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Miss Whittemore's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Gordonsville High School Salutatorian, Miss Valyn Whittemore, on her impressive academic achievement, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.